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James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson

Highland June 15. 1826

Dear Sir

It was my intention to have called on you this evening, and to have presented in person Mr. Goodwyn, who will have the pleasure to deliver to you this letter, but have been prevented by the rain. He is a son of Mr. P. Goodwyn, a member of Congress, I believe during your service, in the govt. as well as mine. Having purchased a part of my land here, he will become your neighbour, and I am led to conclude from my acquaintance with him that you will find him a fair representative of his father, a very worthy & respectable man.

Having faild in the sale of my tracts of land in this county, which were advertised for sale on the 12th & 14th of this month, my engagments with different banks will take me immediately hence and in the first instance to Richmond, whither I propose to set out to morrow. I have resolv'd to make a new experiment on the 18th of next month by offering them for sale to the highest bidder, of which I have given notice in the central &

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other gazettes. On my return at that period, I hope to be more successful, and in consequence to be more at leisure, in which event, I shall have the pleasure to be more frequently with you.

Very respectfully & sincerely I am your friend James Monroe

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